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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM : Paul V. Walsh
Associate Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT : Detail of DDI Officer to White House
Situation Room

1. Action Requested: None; for your information only.

2. Background: At the Morning Meeting of 9 September, I reported that we had agreed to detail a young officer at the White House Situation Room. I am told that your annotations on the notes for that Morning Meeting indicate that you had a question about this item.

The White House Situation Room has been talking to us for sometime about the need to upgrade the quality of some of the officers serving there. They were particularly concerned that the selection of cable and other traffic items for perusal by Dr. Brzezinski and other members of the NSC Staff was not as good as it could be. They asked, therefore, if we could provide on detail a young officer who could assist in this activity. The position is in no way one of producing analysis or substantive intelligence. Moreover, we view this as an excellent training opportunity for a young officer in whom we have some confidence regarding their potential within the Directorate. Consequently, we chose [redacted] for this assignment, which would be for a period of one year on a non-reimbursable basis.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM : Paul V. Walsh
Associate Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT : Detail of [] to the White
House Situation Room

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1. Action Requested: None; for your information only.

2. Background: In response to your notes regarding the TO&E of the White House Situation Room (WHSR) and whether or not the detail of [] would represent an "add-on", I submit the following information.

The WHSR has a present complement of 24 personnel. It has a T/O of three, representing a cut of two positions during the recent exercise. This phenomenon is explained by the fact that since its creation in 1961, the major part of the staffing of the WHSR has been assumed by the various members of the Intelligence Community on a nonreimbursable basis. Thus, if the WHSR were to live within its income, I have a feeling it would quickly disappear from the scene.

I believe the request that another officer be detailed to the White House reflects a specific need that must be satisfied by someone with adequate grounding in the intelligence process. The main point in my view is not whether we are "adding-on" but whether we should capitalize on the opportunity to give one of our promising young analysts a year's exposure to an important element of the Executive Branch and its use of intelligence.

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